GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH)
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:426
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Budgetary Allocation for AYUSH
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Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

(a) whether the budgetary allocation for Ayurveda and other AYUSH system of medicine is negligible in comparison to Allopathy and if so, the reasons therefor;
(b) whether meagre budget allocation is a factor hindering the growth of AYUSH system of medicine and if so, the details thereof; and
(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the budget for AYUSH and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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(a) The budgetary allocation during 2016-17 for Allopathy under Department of Health & Family Welfare is Rs.37,061.55 crore, while the allocation for AYUSH system of medicine during the same period is Rs.1326.20 crore which is about 3.58%. The allocations made by the Government are dependent on various factors like the size of the respective programmes, coverage, scope and availability of funds etc.
(b) The budgetary allocation is by and large sufficient to implement the Ayush programmes being implemented at present. The Government tries to optimise utilization of funds allocated so that no programme or system of medicine is adversely affected. However, if additional budget is made available, the scope of the activities can be increased.
(c) The Government has sought additional funds in the Revised Estimates for 2016-17 as also in the Budget Estimates for 2017-18 as under:-
Rs. In crores

	BE 2016-17	Allocated RE 2016-17	Proposed BE 2017-18
			Proposed
Plan	1050.00	1359.25	2478.78
Non-Plan	276.20	324.76	
Total	1326.20	1684.01	